



# City of Concord

## Weekly City Manager Newsletter

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### DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY DÉCOR

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! The Christmas tree at the State House Plaza was put into place last week by the Concord General Services Tree Crew and the NH Department of Transportation. This week, the Tree Crew placed and decorated the trees at Eagle Square, at Boudreau Square in Penacook, and at the Concord Heights. The trees at the State House Plaza and Eagle Square are Blue Spruce trees donated by the Parks & Recreation Department to be put to good use since they had to be removed for future projects anyway. The Downtown Services Team has also brought some holiday décor to Main Street with the installation of double-sided pre-lit wreaths, which were purchased last year by Intown Concord and the Merchants Roundtable with donations from downtown merchants and businesses.



### CONCORD CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The 30th Annual Concord Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration will be held at the State House Plaza on **Friday, November 25th, at 6:00 PM**. Activities will start downtown at 3:30 PM. The celebration will include a petting zoo, pony and horse drawn wagon rides, music by the Brian Waldron Band, lighting of the nativity, food and more. Santa Claus will arrive at 5:00 PM. The countdown to light the tree will begin at 5:59 PM, immediately followed by fireworks.

### WATER METER READER EXCHANGE

As part of an ongoing initiative to maintain and upgrade the City's water meters, meter technicians will be visiting water customers, in phases, to exchange water meter reading devices. The upgrade is at no cost to the customer, but is necessary to keep technology up to date to ensure accurate readings and to provide optimal customer service. If a customer is not home when a technician visits, a door tag will be left asking the customer to call the Utility Billing Office to make an appointment for the replacement. The change out takes anywhere from 5 to 30 minutes, depending on meter conditions. Some customers may already have the new reader installed and will not be receiving a visit at all. If customers do not receive a visit or door tag, then meter technicians have either not yet been to that area or the meter does not need an upgrade.



### **MUNICIPAL OFFICES CLOSED**

In observance of Thanksgiving, City offices and the Concord Public Library will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th. Happy Thanksgiving!

### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE TRASH/RECYCLING**



Thanksgiving Day is a trash and recycling holiday. There will be no trash or recycling collection on Thursday. Thursday's route will be collected on Friday, and Friday's route will be collected on Saturday.



### **PENACOOK CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING**

The Penacook Village Association is hosting its annual Penacook Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on **Wednesday, November 30th, at 6:00 PM**, at the Village Square in downtown Penacook. The Penacook Elementary School Chorus will sing holiday favorites, Santa Claus will arrive via fire truck, and refreshments will be served.

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